

MILITIA WELL FED, BAKER DECLARES

Day Coaches Used Only When Urgency Ruled, He Tells House.

Washington, July 29.—In response to House resolutions of inquiry, Secretary Baker to-day made a report on the transportation of National Guardsmen to the border. The resolutions asked for information on charges that the guardsmen had been transported in day coaches, that their trains had been unreasonably sidetracked, and that they were insufficiently fed and cared for.

Secretary Baker says the guardsmen in some instances were transported in day coaches, but that no cars without lights were used, and that troop trains were not sidetracked unreasonably. Regular army rations more than sufficient for the journey were furnished all troops, he asserts, either on leaving mobilization camps or en route, and that all cars used were inspected to remedy defects or deficiencies that would imperil health or safety of troops.

The report says day coaches were used only in cases where, owing to the urgency of the situation and the large number of troops being moved at one time, it was not practical to delay. When day coaches were used, it explains, three men were assigned to each four seats.

Four Seats for Two Men.

In some cases railroads, without extra charge, allowed two men to occupy four seats. Where it could be done, arrangements were made to trans-

fer troops from day coaches to tourist sleepers.

Regarding rations, the Secretary reports that where cooking equipment was not placed on trains the men were furnished with money to buy hot coffee, the same as troops of the regular army are allowed under similar conditions.

"There was no reason for troops seeking food from citizens en route," he added. "It is not possible, unless rations have been thrown away, that troops which have been reported short of rations could have been short. Every precaution was taken to see that they started with an ample supply. These troops are largely recruits, untrained and undisciplined, and under officers of comparatively little experience."

Acting Quartermaster General Sharpe

reported that to have moved all the troops in Pullman or tourist cars would have required three thousand cars. The Pullman company made available for the troops 80 per cent of all tourist cars it owns.

Slayden Praises Guard.

Representative Slayden, who all through the Mexican troubles has been one of the Administration's critics, spoke in the House to-day in com-

mendation of the guardsmen and conditions on the border generally.

"We now have an army on the Mexican border and across the international boundary so well prepared for any prospective duty that no citizen need give himself the slightest uneasiness as to what will happen," he said. "Mr. Slayden declared troops had been moved without hitch and with all dispatch necessary."

"These troops," he said, "were moved in safety and comfort, even if Pullman berths and nine-foot linen sheets could not be supplied to all the men. Solicitous Governors who are candidates again seem to have forgotten the regulars, from whom no complaints have come."

Beaten by Two Highwaymen.

Stephen Jackson, of 50 Wythe Avenue, Williamsburg, was attacked at North Eleventh Street and Bedford Avenue by two robbers yesterday. They knocked him down, choked and kicked him, and tried to rifle his pockets. His cries were heard by Policemen Maher, of the 10th Precinct, and when he approached the thieves disappeared in McCarren Park.

HEAR GIFTS FAIL TO REACH GUARD

Supplies Sent by Friends Are Reported Stored in Warehouses.

DEFENCE SOCIETY WILL MAKE INQUIRY

Health and Sanitation of Border Camps Are Excellent, Says Investigator.

Reports from the border indicate that tons of supplies sent by friends of National Guardsmen to the men now on duty have been stored in warehouses instead of being distributed among the Guardsmen. The announcement was made after a meeting of chaplains of the regular army and the National Guard units, Friday night.

The supplies in question consist principally of dainties and comforts designed to make camp life pleasant for the soldiers. The American Red Cross and the American Defence Society are the local organizations which have been forwarding these articles to the border.

Mrs. William Cumming Story, chairman of the committee of the American Defence Society which has charge of this work, said last evening she had heard nothing of the failure to distribute articles shipped to the camps, but that an investigation of the report that shipments were not being delivered would be made at once.

Health of Camps Is Good.

The chaplains, in the statement issued following the meeting, requested that the people of the country be advised that in sending presents to members of the National Guard, the packages be addressed in care of the chaplain attached to the particular regiment of which the men are members.

The health and sanitation of the border camps are excellent, according to Dr. Richard Pearson Strong, of Harvard University, who has just completed an extended tour of the camps at the request of Acting Surgeon General Birmingham, of the War Department. He was accompanied by Robert Bacon, former Ambassador to France.

"In only a few of the camps was there any room for improvement," says Dr. Strong's report, "and conditions there were being speedily rectified. Food of good quality and sufficient in amount is being served. The medical corps is deserving of high praise for the manner in which it is supervising sanitary matters."

Denies Tales of Hardships.

Dr. Strong sailed yesterday on the steamship Vestris as chairman of the Return Visiting Financial and Commercial Delegation to Brazil.

Further refutation of stories from the border which tell of distressing conditions is found in a letter from Warren G. Holmes, of Montclair, N. J., member of the New Jersey Cavalry, written from Douglas, Ariz.

"Everyone is disgusted with the reports that go home and cause worry and anxiety to friends," Holmes writes. "They are nine-tenths pure 'bull.' An example is the knee-deep mud you read about; also the three feet of water that covered the plain after one heavy rain the other day. It is bad enough in reality, without talking that way."

Young Men's Christian Association buildings are being placed at the disposal of the troops along the border, and eleven more association secretaries have started for the concentration camps.

HANGS SELF AT HOUR SET FOR HIS WEDDING

Bride-To-Be Finds Kolfelder Lifeless at His Home.

Mrs. Rose Leonard, a widow living in Glendale, Queens, was to have been married yesterday morning to Charles Kolfelder, of Woodhaven. When he did not appear at her home for the ceremony, she became uneasy and set out for Woodhaven.

She found Kolfelder's home crowded with excited people. A strange hush fell over the house as she entered. "Where is Charles?" she demanded. "His sister-in-law answered. 'He's here, but you can't see him just now,' she told the bride-to-be."

Then Mrs. Leonard's glance wandered through a window. Beneath a shady arbor in the back yard was a group of neighbors about a form that lay motionless on the ground. Kolfelder had hanged himself in a rope swing. His body had been discovered only a short time before the hour set for his marriage.

CAR KILLS CHILD; MOTORMAN FLEES

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to curb. As they marched the mob again fell into cadence and shouted, "lynch him! Lynch him!" Not until long after the prisoner was behind the bars did the crowd disperse from in front of the station.

Aided by passengers who had remained in the car those who had not joined the mob tried the vehicle from the tracks. Pauline was dead; there was no need of the ambulance surgeon to tell them that. Her father was mercifully late.

Coroner Healy and District Attorney Martin of The Bronx decided to hold a preliminary inquest at once.

Although at first he refused to give his right name, the sister lost a good position through the notoriety, the prisoner finally admitted he was James McAvoy, who had served a term in Elmira in 1906 for attempted grand larceny and another in the penitentiary in 1908 for petit larceny. His home is at 1955 Daly Avenue, The Bronx.

He had acted as a strikebreaker in many labor troubles, he said, including the Wilkes-Barre car strike, but never until yesterday had he had charge of a car of the type used by the Third Avenue company.

"I was panic-stricken; I lost my head," he moaned.

He was held in \$2,500 bail for further hearing on a charge of homicide.

Park Statues Spruced Up.

Idlers in City Hall Park who have been watching Park Department workmen cover the statues of Nathan Hale and Benjamin Franklin with a strange-looking liquid have been trying to figure out why bronze statues should be painted. Inquiry at the Park Department office reveals that the liquid is a special cleaning preparation, which is to be followed in a few days by a coat of compound invented by Dr. Kuckro, of the Metropolitan Museum of Art. The combination is intended to preserve the statues from deterioration.

STATE TO FREE CONEY OF BEACH GRABBERS

Acts on Mayor's Request to Remove Obstructions.

Albany, July 29.—Upon receipt of a request from Mayor Mitchell of New York, Attorney General Egburt E. Woodbury to-day instructed his New York City office to investigate alleged illegal destruction of fore shores at Coney Island and similar seaside resorts.

Ejectment proceedings against property owners whose structures extend over high water mark will be started at once.

THREE BOMBS EXPLODED IN PUBLISHING PLANT

Offices of Anti-Catholic Paper Scene of Attack.

Springfield, Mo., July 29.—Three bombs exploded beneath the floor of "The Menace" publishing plant at Aurora, Mo., at 4:15 o'clock this morning, slightly damaged the publishing company plant and set fire to a mass of copies of "The Menace," an anti-Catholic publication, just off the press. The flames were soon extinguished.

This week's issue of "The Menace," dated August 5, carried several election articles. It is customary to start the presses Saturday, but in an effort to defeat a candidate for governor in the state the Missouri publication had been printed and mailed Friday.

BRITAIN LIMITS BLACKLIST BAN

Won't Boycott the Neutral Firms Trading with Proscribed Ones.

Washington, July 29.—The British blacklist is not intended to go beyond the principals named in the list, and there can be no indirect injury to American firms, as explained to the State Department to-day by Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British Ambassador.

It was represented that there is no idea of blacklisting a neutral firm merely because it continued to do business with a firm that is blacklisted, but if a neutral firm habitually and systematically acted as cover for the blacklisted firm, and so caused direct trading between British firms and blacklisted firms, the cases would be different.

Regarding payments to blacklisted firms, the British action was declared not to affect payment by neutrals, as the British government habitually grants licenses to British firms to pay current debts to blacklisted firms, unless it is clear beyond doubt that such payments would be passed on to or create a credit for enemy firms in enemy territory.

The department was informed that many licenses already have been granted to British firms to receive from and pay to Knauth, Nachod & Kuhne, and Zimmermann & Forshay, and that there is no objection to the Goodyear Tire Company filling outstanding contracts, but that it would be well to obtain a statement of the amount unfilled.

Ambassador Page is returning from England on the Philadelphia. Although his visit is called a vacation, it is understood that he is coming to discuss with Secretary Lansing and President Wilson the status of the various questions on blockade, mails and blacklist pending between the two governments.

Berlin, July 27 (via London, July 29).—The reply of Lord Robert Cecil, British Minister of War Trade, in Parliament on the British blacklist and the insinuation that it only followed the German example has evoked a sharp semi-official rejoinder from the "Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung," which accuses the minister of equivocation and trifling with the truth.

The newspaper writes that Lord Robert Cecil's arguments were already controverted in the German memorandum to the neutrals of June 15 on the illegality of British measures against neutral firms. Lord Robert did not attempt the memorandum, but tried to blacken Germany by asserting that Germany resorted to similar measures against neutrals in neutral countries.

"This assertion," the newspaper adds, "is absolutely untrue. No measure ever was adopted in Germany which in any way is comparable to the illegal interference of England in the commercial liberties of neutrals."

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Women's Charmeuse Satin Frocks 29.50

With beaded pockets, box plaited blouse and skirt and Georgette collar, cuffs and vestee. Black, navy, Copen, or prune.

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Regardless of Former Prices

Women's Summer Frocks	—to close out at	6.75
Women's Serge & Silk Frocks	—to close out at	10.00
Women's Afternoon & Evening Frocks	—to close out at	18.50
Women's Tailleur Suits	—to close out at	15.00
Women's Outing Suits	—to close out at	25.00
Women's Dressy Suits	—to close out at	28.00, 42.50
Women's Evening Coats	—to close out at	25.00, 45.00, 75.00
Silk Afternoon Coats	—to close out at	35.00
Pongee and Gabardine Coats	—to close out at	17.50
Misses' Tailleur & Sports Suits	—to close out at	10.00, 18.50
Misses' Summer Frocks	—to close out at	5.50, 8.95, 12.50
Misses' Dressy Frocks	—to close out at	15.00, 22.50, 29.50
"Flapper" Tub Frocks	—to close out at	2.85
Reg. U. S. Pat.		
Odd Groups of Negligees	—to close out at	6.95, 16.50, 23.50
Odd Groups of Matinees	—to close out at	4.95
"Bontell" and "Dupree" Corsets	—to close out at	1.95, 4.95
Imported Tricot Corsets	—to close out at	3.95

Women's Sports and Separate Skirts

125 Awning Stripe Skirts—formerly to 5.75	1.95, 2.95
36 Colored Linen and Repp Skirts—formerly to 6.75	1.95
25 Cretonne Skirts—formerly to 7.75	2.95
25 White Serge Skirts—formerly to 7.50	2.95
25 Colored Corduroy Skirts—formerly to 7.50	2.95
25 Wool Check Skirts—formerly to 5.75	2.95
50 Plaid Cloth Skirts—formerly to 12.50	7.50
50 Wool Stripe Skirts—formerly to 12.50	7.50
50 Black & Navy Taffeta Skirts—formerly to 9.50	5.00
12 Flesh & White Satin Skirts—formerly to 11.90	5.00
100 Linen Outing Skirts—formerly to 7.90	4.50

To Close Out—Five Hundred

Bathing Frocks and Swimming Suits

formerly to 10.75 4.95

FOR MONDAY—The Following Special Sales

Silk Underbodies	1.85	Novelty Silk Hosiery	2.00
Of chiffon, pussy willow and crepe de chine. formerly to 5.95		A collection of exclusive novelties. formerly to 5.25	
Lisle Union Suits	.65	Milanese Silk Gloves	.65
In gauze weight Swiss rib.		Elbow length. White only.	
Glove Silk Vests	1.95	Long Silk Gloves	1.25
Tailored finished, embroidered vests. Reinforced.		Paris point stitched. Elbow length. In white only.	

Women's Sport and Street Shoes

formerly to 8.00 3.95

Odd lots consisting of white buckskin shoes and Oxfords. And a collection of pumps, Oxfords and Colonials in various leathers and colors.

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A Special Offering of Women's Pongee Silk Skirts (natural tone, with colored stripes)

at \$7.75 each

will take place to-morrow (Monday)

At the same time a number of

Broad-stripe Worsted Sports Skirts

in white-and-blue, white-and-green and white-and-black, will be placed on sale at

\$7.50 each

(Ready-to-wear Department, Third Floor)

Women's Silk Hosiery SPECIALLY PRICED

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BLACK OR WHITE SILK HOSIERY

With cotton tops and soles, per pair 75c.
With lisle-interlined double soles and tops, per pair 90c.

With extra spliced double tops and soles, per pair \$1.45

With hand-embroidered clocks to match, or in black on white or white on black, per pair \$1.65

With openwork clocks . . per pair 1.75

A Number of Women's Summer Blouses (sizes incomplete)

taken from regular stock, are on Special Sale at the following greatly reduced prices:

Lingerie Blouses . . . \$1.10 to 5.00
Silk and Crepe Blouses . . 3.75 to 12.50

(Department, Second Floor)

A Reduction Sale of Semi-made Cotton Sports Skirts (in colors only)

to begin to-morrow (Monday) will comprise the entire remaining stock of Colored Cotton Semi-made Skirts in broken sizes, offered, to close out quickly, at

\$1.50, \$2.15 & \$2.45

(Cotton Dress Fabrics section, First Floor)

Unusual Values in Women's and Misses' Sweaters will be offered to-morrow at these very special prices:

Ribbed Silk Sweaters, in purple, rose and two shades of blue; with sash and convertible collar \$22.50
Fibre Sweaters, in several plain colors as well as in white-and-black in two-tone effect \$6.85 & 9.75

In the regular stock of the Sweater Department are to be found the newest modes in Sweaters for Women, Misses and Children. There is also a very comprehensive assortment of Summer Shawls, including some charmingly sheer effects in Shetland wool, with Scarfs of the same attractive type.

(Sweater Department, Second Floor)

The Oriental Rug Department has ready for selection an extraordinarily extensive assortment of

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